

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dr. Sam Bradshaw
McFarland.

WHEREAS, Dr. Sam Bradshaw McFarland, one of the most beloved, prominent and highly regarded physicians in Tennessee, is the epitome of the spirit of the Volunteer State; and

WHEREAS, Dr. McFarland is the son of James Jerry and Kate Bradshaw McFarland, and attended schools in Wilson County; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from David Lipscomb College, in 1927, and the University of Tennessee Medical School in 1931, serving an internship in surgery at Grace Hospital in Detroit; and

WHEREAS, after successfully completing his internship, Dr. McFarland returned to Lebanon and practiced surgery and general medicine at his late uncle's hospital; and

WHEREAS, he owned and operated McFarland Hospital in Lebanon for more than forty years and has practiced medicine for over sixty years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. McFarland, who realizes the positive impact that a good Christian education can have on a student, founded Friendship Christian School in 1973 and has strongly supported the school by serving admirably on their board of directors and by establishing a much needed endowment; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, he helped to found Highland Heights Church of Christ and evinces his deep faith as an active member of College Street Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Dr. McFarland has spent his life in service to others and his advice is highly valued. He has served with distinction as a member of the Board of Trustees of McFarland Hospital; as president of the Wilson County Medical Association; as a member of the Tennessee Medical Association, the American Medical Society, the International College of

Surgeons, the American Society of Abdominal Surgeons, as a Silver member of the Men's Garden Club of America and as chairman of the board of trustees at Friendship Christian School; and

WHEREAS, he is devoted to his wife, the former Gwendolyn Moss; loving brother to Dr. James McFarland; exemplary parent to daughter Gay McFarland Chamberlain, who is married to James Chamberlain; son Sam Grady McFarland, who, is married to Cheryl, and son Jerry Allen McFarland, who is married to Pat. He is a loving grandfather to Dawn, Allen and Kathryn Floyd Chamberlain; James Howard McFarland and Mary Anne, Jerri and Katie McFarland; and

WHEREAS, his numerous honors include having an auditorium at David Lipscomb College named after him, receiving the prestigious Edgerton Civic Award presented to him by the Lebanon Woolen Mills, in December, 1975, and having the first volume of This is the Place: A History of Wilson County, dedicated to him. He was also designated a Tennessee Colonel by Governor Frank Clement, Governor Buford Ellington and Governor Ray Blanton and is a Colonel of the Commonwealth of Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause to specially recognize this outstanding individual; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor Dr. Sam Bradshaw McFarland, commend him for his many contributions to the public good and wish him well in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.